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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS CONTROL-TRANSFER OF HELICOPTERS

1. YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO PRESENT THE FOLLOWING NOTE TO THE SECRETARIAT OF FOREIGN RELATIONS, FOLLOWING ANY CONSULTATIONS WITH ATTORNEY GENERAL OJEDA PAULLADA WHICH MAY BE NECESSARY AND APPROPRIATE.

2. QUOTE:

EXCELLENCY:

I HAVE THE HONOR TO REFER TO RECENT CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN OFFICIALS OF OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS RELATING TO IN-

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TWEEN OFFICIALS OF OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS RELATING TO IN-

CREASED EFFORTS BY THE GOVERNMENT OF MEXICO TO CURB THE TRAFFIC OF ILLEGAL NARCOTICS AND AM PLEASED TO ADVISE THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES IS WILLING TO ASSIST THE GOVERNMENT OF MEXICO IN THIS EFFORT BY PROVIDING ASSISTANCE ON THE FOLLOWING TERMS:

THE MATERIAL ASSISTANCE IN QUESTION WILL CONSIST OF FOUR (4) BELL 212 HELICOPTERS AT A UNIT COST OF NINE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$900,000.00), INCLUDING AN APPROPRIATE PACKAGE OF SPARE PARTS. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES WILL ALSO PROVIDE A TRAINING PROGRAM FOR SIXTEEN MEXICAN HELICOPTER PILOTS AND EIGHT MEXICAN MECHANICS AT THE BELL CORPORATION FACILITY AT FORT WORTH, TEXAS, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

TO BEGIN NOVEMBER 26, 1973. THE GOVERNMENT OF MEXICO SHALL TAKE TITLE TO EACH HELICOPTER AT SUCH TIME AS THAT HELICOPTER IS FIRST USED FOR IN-FLIGHT TRAINING OF A MEXICAN PILOT.

THE TOTAL COST OF THIS ASSISTANCE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES SHALL NOT EXCEED THREE MILLION SIX HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR THOUSAND (\$3,644,000.00). THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES WILL BE PLEASED TO CONSIDER FUTURE REQUESTS FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF MEXICO FOR ASSISTANCE IN FINANCING THE COSTS OF FUEL AND SPARE PARTS CONSUMED BY THE HELICOPTERS IN THE GOVERNMENT OF MEXICO POPPY ERADICATION EFFORTS.

IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT THE HELICOPTERS ARE TO BE USED BY THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MEXICO TO INTERDICT THE FLOW OF ILLICIT NARCOTICS THROUGH MEXICO AND TO LOCATE AND ERADICATE OPIUM POPPY, MARIJUANA AND OTHER PLANTS FROM WHICH NARCOTIC SUBSTANCES ARE DERIVED. IT IS FURTHER UNDERSTOOD THAT THE USE OF THIS EQUIPMENT SHALL BE RESTRICTED TO THESE PURPOSES, EXCEPT THAT NOTHING IN THIS AGREEMENT SHALL PRECLUDE ITS USE IN TIMES OF NATURAL DISASTER TO PREVENT LOSS OF LIFE OR OTHERWISE ENGAGE IN HUMANITARIAN UNDERTAKINGS. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THE GOVERNMENT OF MEXICO AGREES THAT AT THE REQUEST OF THE EMBASSY OF THE U.S. THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL PROVIDE TO THE PERSONNEL OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT ACCESS TO THE EQUIPMENT FOR THE PURPOSES OF VERIFYING ITS USAGE AND CONDITION OF SERVICE. IT IS ALSO UNDERSTOOD THAT THROUGH THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES IN MEXICO PERSONNEL OF THE USG , AND THE -

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MEXICO SHALL EXCHANGE SEMI-ANNUALLY, AND AT OTHER TIMES MUTUALLY AGREED UPON, INFORMATION IN WRITING ON THE SPECIFIC EFFORTS UNDERTAKEN IN RELATION TO THE PURPOSES AND OBJECTIVES OF THIS AGREEMENT.

IF THE FOREGOING IS ACCEPTABLE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MEXICO, THIS NOTE AND YOUR REPLY SHALL CONSTITUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS. END QUOTE. KISSINGER

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